



U.S. EPA *Pilot* RDD/IND Late-Phase Tabletop Training Exercise

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Exercise Goals

- ◆ Allow EPA regional staff to practice late-phase planning
- ◆ Explore issues associated with making late-phase optimization decisions
- ◆ Identify needs and direction for future late-phase guidance and tools development
- ◆ Evaluate current EPA tools through RDD/IND simulation

Late-Phase RDD/IND Tabletop Exercise

- ◆ Tabletop exercise begins:
 - » 60 days after RDD attack
 - » 200 days after IND attack
- ◆ Pilot in San Francisco with EPA Region 9 staff participants only
- ◆ Subsequent TTX with other EPA Regional staff and outside EPA (e.g., federal, state, local gov't, industry, enviros, etc)

1.

Shortened Overview of RDD/IND WMD Response and format for Table Top Exercise

Responsibility

- ◆ DHS will assume overarching authority and responsibility
- ◆ EPA expected to work within this framework
 - » Interagency guidance for terrorist use of dirty bombs and nuclear devices proposed 1-3-2006

PHASE	PROTECTIVE ACTION	DHS RDD/IND PROTECTIVE ACTION GUIDE
Early	Limit Emergency Worker Exposure	Normally 5 rems, higher values under emergency circumstances as needed
	Sheltering of Public	1 to 5 rem projected dose, normally initiated at 1 rem
	Evacuation of Public	1 to 5 rem projected dose, normally initiated at 1 rem
	Administration of Prophylactic Drugs	For KI, FDA Guidance dose values. For other drugs, consider on an ad hoc basis
Intermediate	Limit Worker Exposure	5 rems in compliance with OSHA regulations
	Relocation of General Public	2 rems, projected dose 1 st Year
		Any subsequent year: 500 mrem projected dose
	Food Interdiction	500 mrem projected dose
	Drinking Water Interdiction	500 mrem dose
Late	Final cleanup actions	Site specific level based on Optimization (focus of this Tabletop)

DHS Guidance is NOT to be Used for CERCLA Response

- ◆ Do not use DHS optimization approach for selecting remedies
 - » Continue to use NCP 9 criteria for remedial (e.g., 10^{-4} to 10^{-6} , ARARs)
 - » Removal approach unchanged
- ◆ Do not use DHS early or intermediate PAGs as TBC
 - » CERCLA cleanup levels not based on guidance outside the risk range and/or expressed as a dose (# mrem/yr)
- ◆ Do not use DHS recovery process

DHS - Late Phase PAG

- ◆ Due to the extreme range of potential impacts, Subgroup determined that a **numerical approach was not useful**
- ◆ Subgroup determined that site-specific remediation and recovery strategies should be developed using principals of **optimization**

DHS - Optimization Process

- ◆ Determine societal objectives for expected land uses
- ◆ Develop and evaluate options and approaches
- ◆ Select the most acceptable criteria
- ◆ Flexible process
- ◆ Employs quantitative and qualitative assessments
- ◆ Applied at each stage of site restoration decision-making, from evaluation of remedial options to implementation of the chosen alternative

EPA CERCLA-like Approach for Today's TTX Optimization

- ◆ 10^{-4} to 10^{-6} or higher risk levels
- ◆ ARARs
- ◆ NCP 9 criteria
- ◆ OSWER directives
- ◆ May consider risk levels outside CERCLA risk range (10^{-3} , 10^{-2})

EPA Risk Assessment Tools Used for TTX

- ◆ Preliminary Remediation Goal (PRG) calculator
 - » Soil
- ◆ Building PRG calculator
 - » Settled dust
 - » Wall surfaces
 - » Wall volumetric
- ◆ Outside Surfaces PRG calculator
 - » Outside walls of buildings (surfaces and volumetric)
 - » Streets/pavement/pads (surfaces and volumetric)

DHS Response Teams and Groups

- ◆ Decision Team (DT)
- ◆ Recovery Management Team (RMT)
- ◆ Stakeholder Work Group (SWG)
- ◆ Technical Work Group (TWG)
 - ◆ TTX exercise will focus on this role

DHS - Recovery Process

- ◆ Through iterative process, **TWG** develops and forwards a sound, reasonable, and balanced remediation recommendation to the RMT for approval
- ◆ RMT transmits the approved recommendation(s) to the DT for final action
- ◆ The DT publishes a summary of the process, the options analyzed, and the final recommendation for public comment
- ◆ Public comments responded to, considered, and incorporated as appropriate (reconvening of the RMT, SWG and TWG may be necessary)
- ◆ Recovery operations implemented and evaluated for effectiveness

***DHS* - Team Coordination**

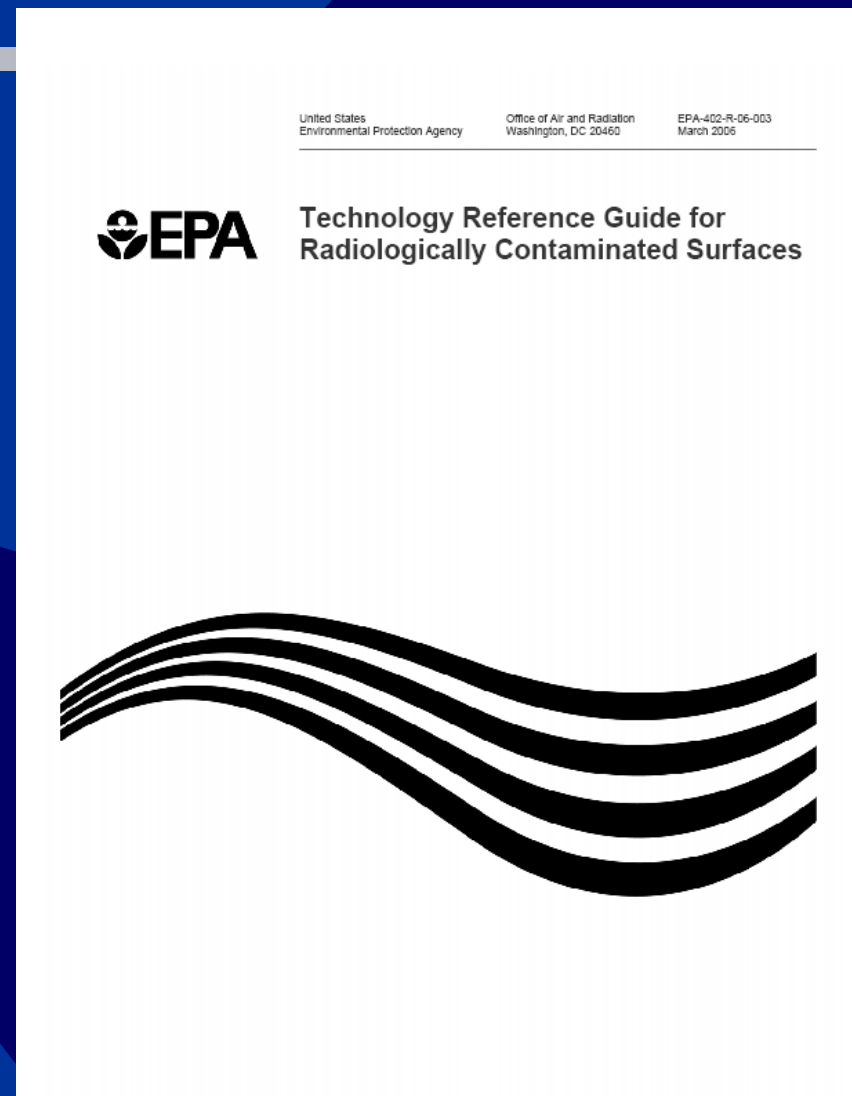
- ◆ TWG works with the SWG so that local concerns can inform the work of the TWG
- ◆ TWG informs stakeholders of remediation options, feasibility, strengths and weaknesses
- ◆ Regular meetings of the RMT, SWG and TWG to
 - » facilitate consultation on site-specific goals, needs, and expectations
 - » share status of work products
 - » transmit findings
 - » discuss remediation options pros and cons
 - » share information on trends and developments

2. *Shortened* Primer on Cleanup Approaches Considered in Today's Tabletop

Decontamination Technologies

Primary Resource

- ◆ Chemical and Physical Technologies
 - » Description
 - » Target contaminants
 - » Applicable media
 - » Waste Streams
 - » Operating Characteristics
 - » Performance
 - » Operating Costs
 - » Commercial Availability
 - » Emerging Technologies



Materials in an Urban Environment

Material	%
Brick	30
Concrete	30
Asphalt	30
Glass/Metal	8
Wood / Treated	2

Source: [LANL Report: LA-CP-03-0575](#)

Canepa et al., 2003. Decontamination Efficiencies and Factors for Radioactive Contamination of Urban Environments

Decontamination Technologies – short list

◆ Common

Wash / pressure wash
Steam cleaning
Vacuum

◆ Chemical

TechXtract

◆ Physical

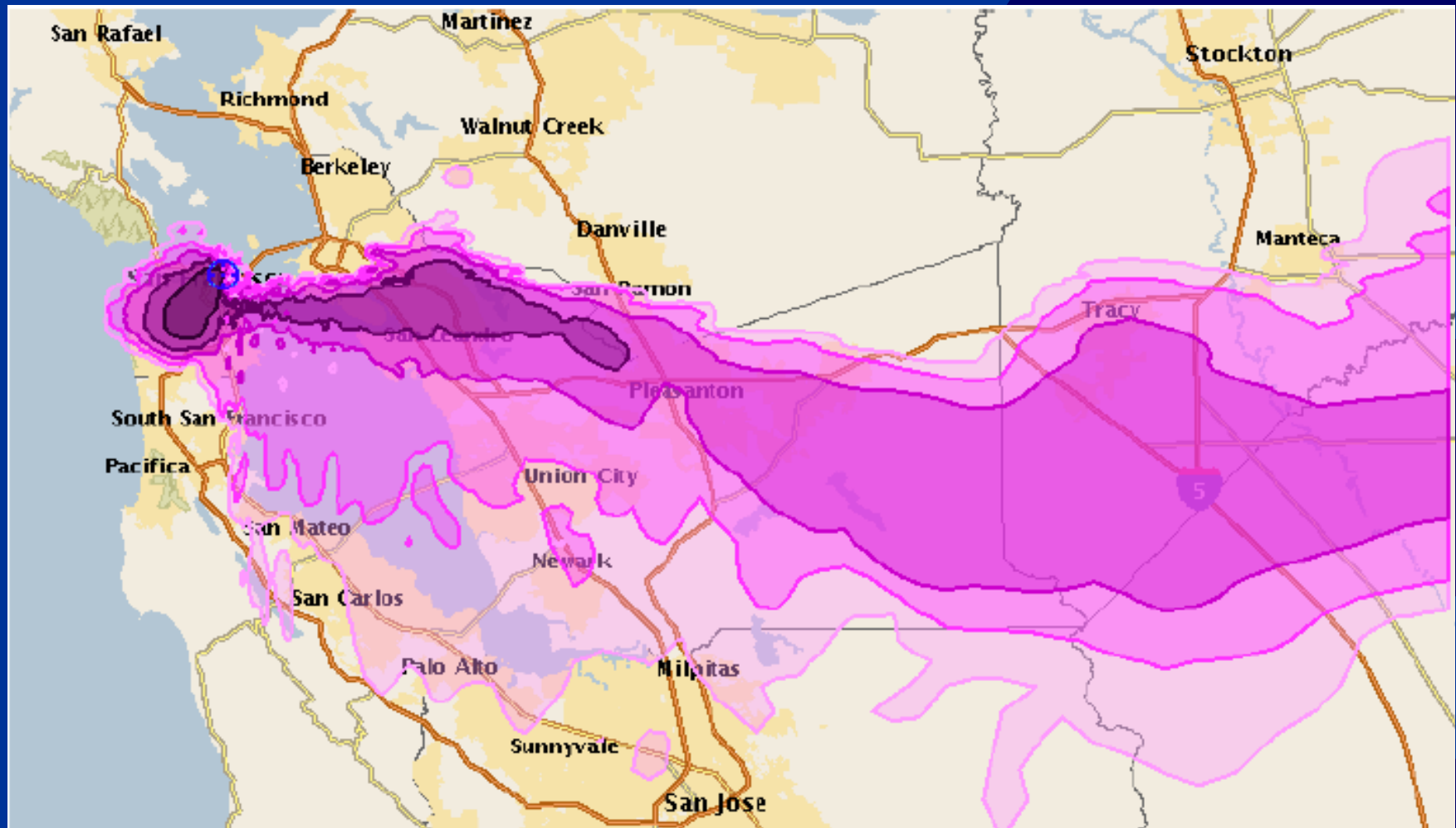
Strippable Coatings
Concrete Shaver
Media Blast Cleaning

◆ Other

Deep plowing / excavating
Road resurfacing / paving

3.

First scenario RDD “Dirty Bomb” Scenario



Radiological Dispersal Devices (RDD)

- ◆ Both passive and active dispersion
- ◆ City or rural
- ◆ TTX RDD scenario
 - » 2,300 curies of Cesium-137
 - » 50 curies of Americium-241
 - » Based on combination of DHS and FAS scenarios

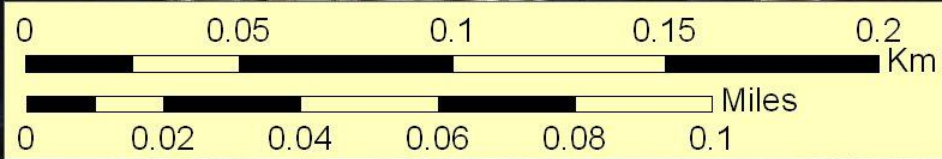
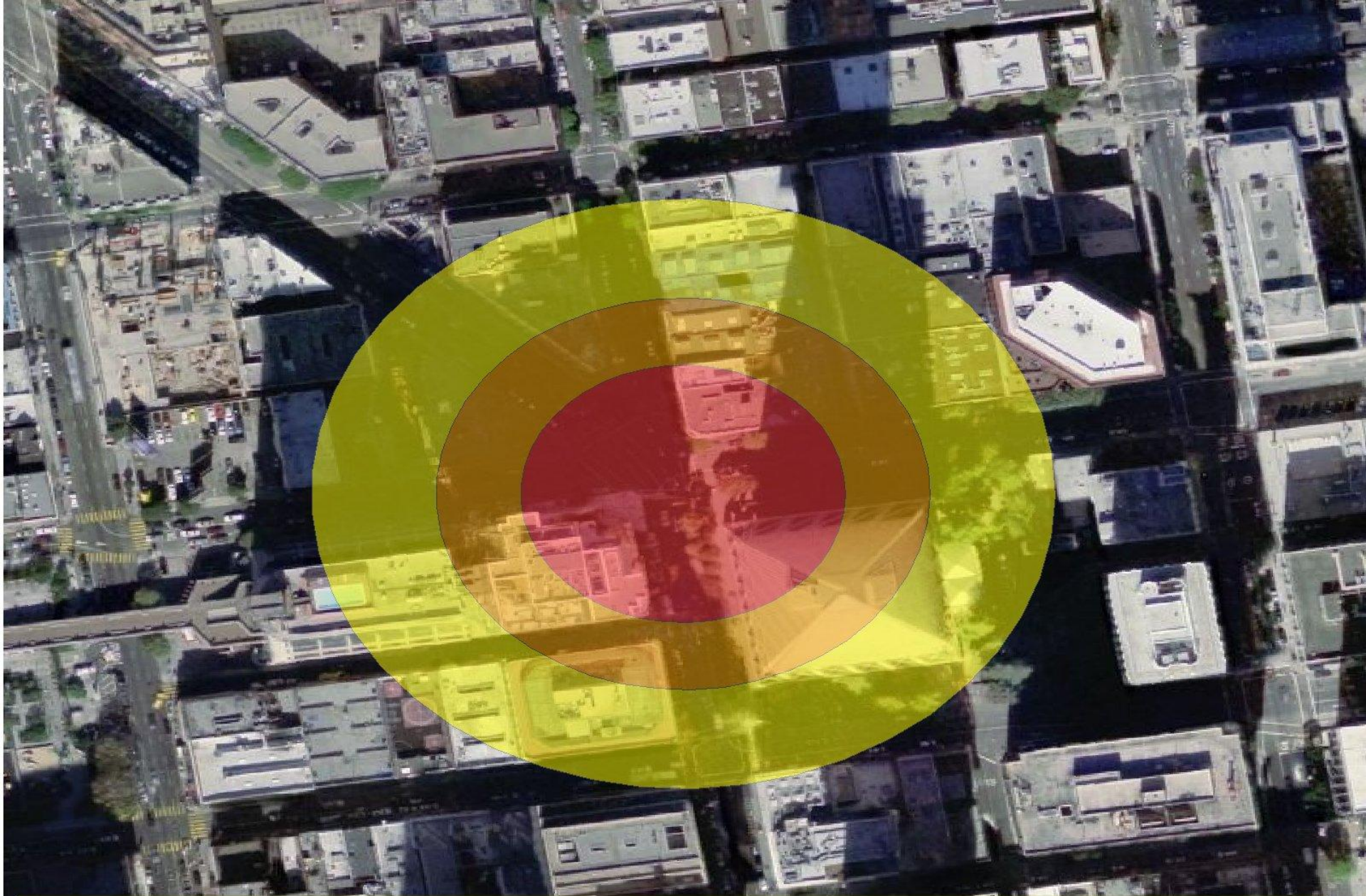
TTX RDD Impact

- ◆ 180 fatalities
- ◆ 270 injuries
- ◆ Relocation:
 - » first year 79,200 persons
 - » second year 139,000 persons
- ◆ Infrastructure damage limited to explosion
- ◆ Economic impact up to \$billions

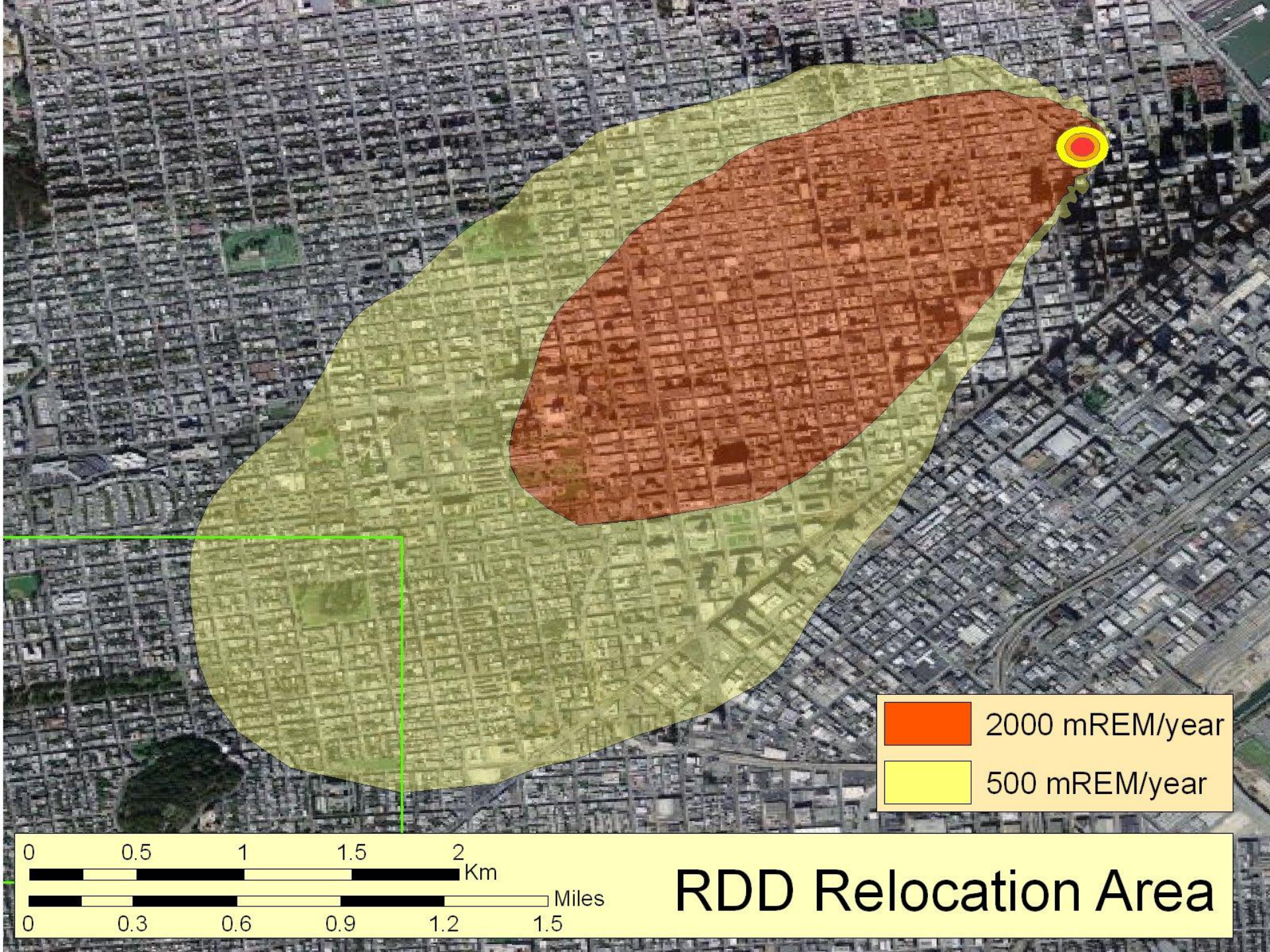
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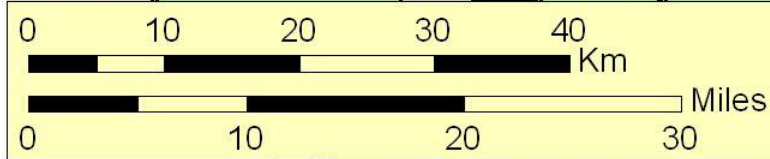
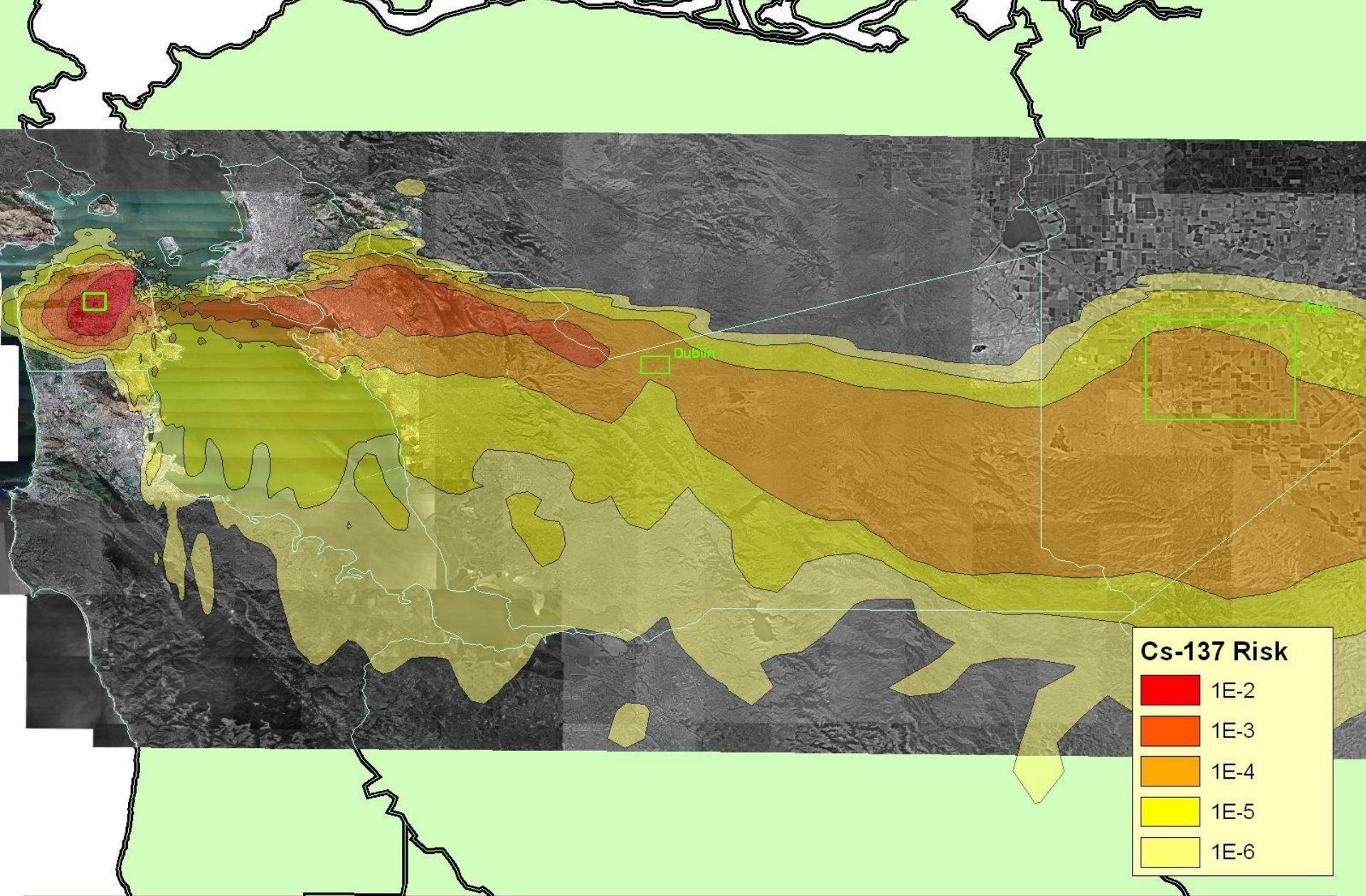
- ◆ 1st yr relocation PAG: 1.8 miles/1.2 square miles
- ◆ 2nd yr relocation PAG: 2.5 miles/2.6 square miles

Risk Target	Distance (miles)	Area (sq miles)	Exposed (millions)
1×10^{-2}	24	59	0.608
1×10^{-3}	75	538	1.09
1×10^{-4}	75	1,147	1.62
1×10^{-5}	76	1,748	2.36
1×10^{-6}	85	2,633	3.91

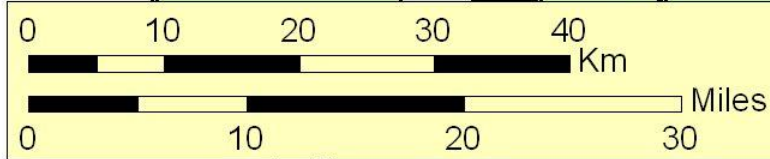
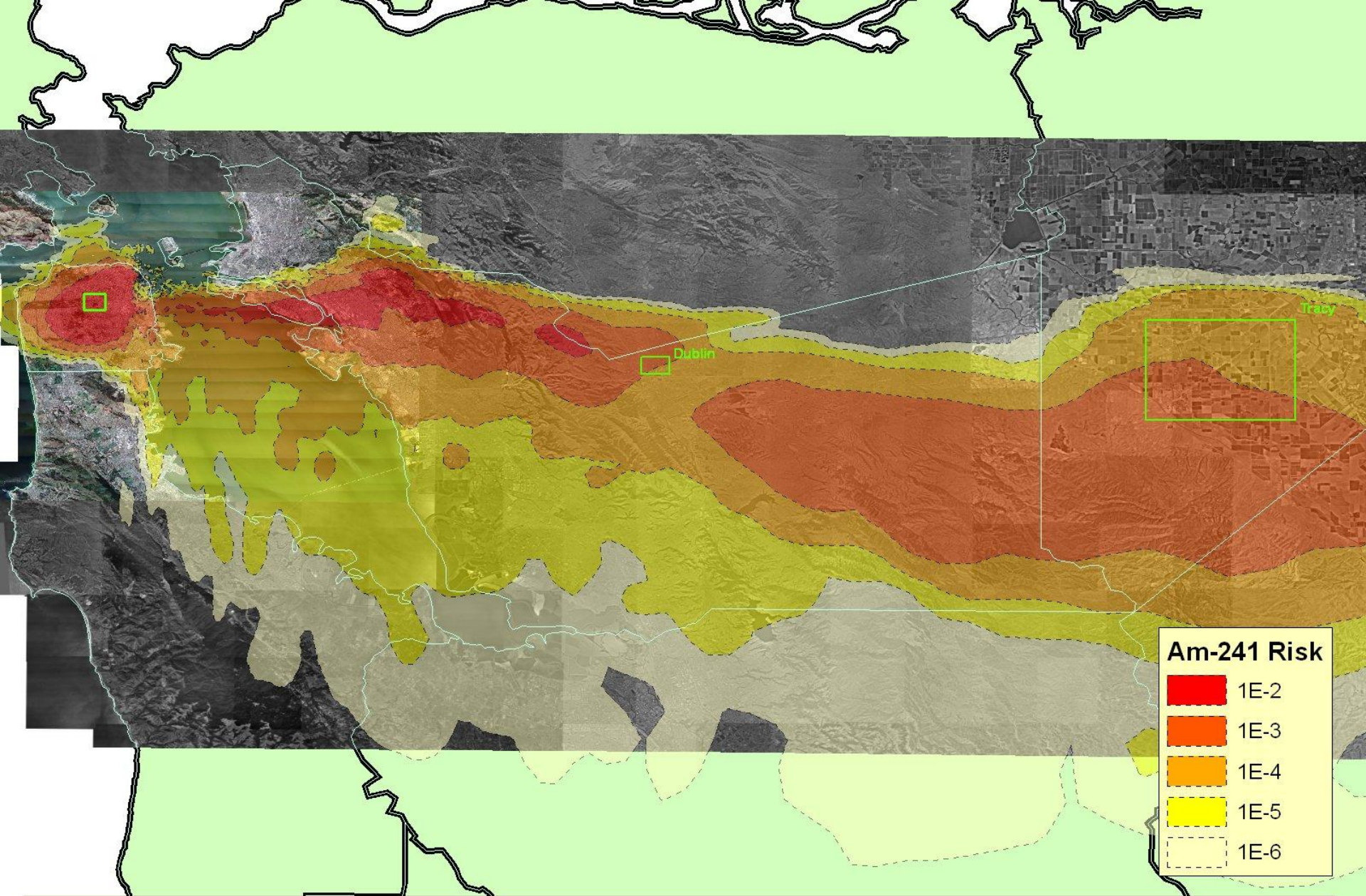


RDD Blast Damage

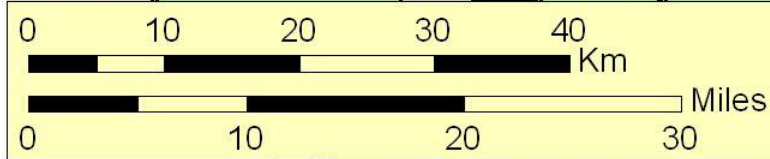
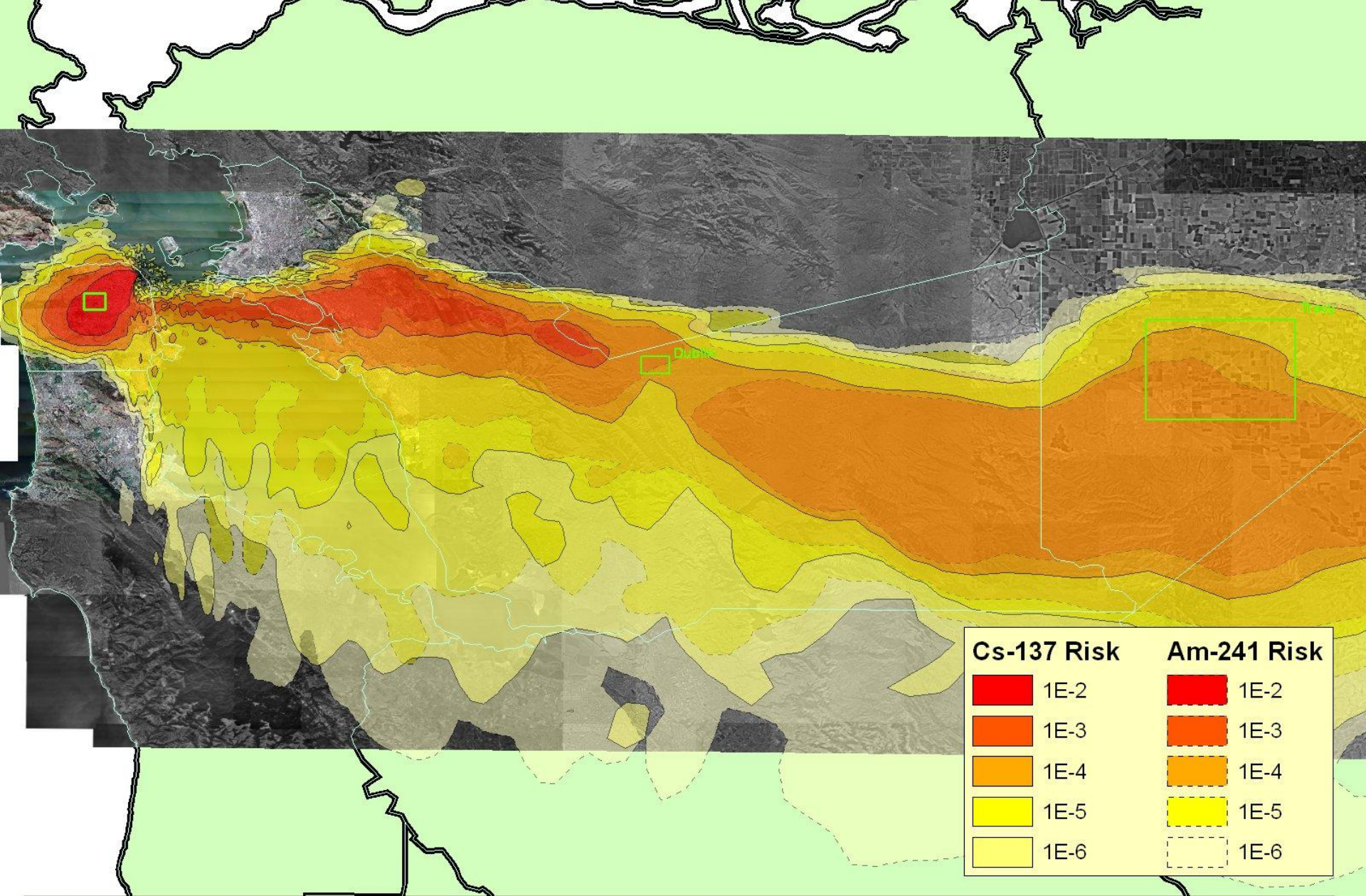




RDD Cs-137



RDD Am-241



RDD Cs-137 & Am-241

TTX Working Groups

- ◆ Urban – Haight Ashbury
- ◆ Suburban -- Dublin
- ◆ Agricultural/open space -- Tracy

Handouts

- ◆ Each TTX Workgroup got for their area:
 - » Aerial Picture
 - » RDD and IND Baseline risk assessment (36 exposure scenarios for 2 radionuclides)
 - » Roadway classification Map
 - » Remediation Technology Worksheet

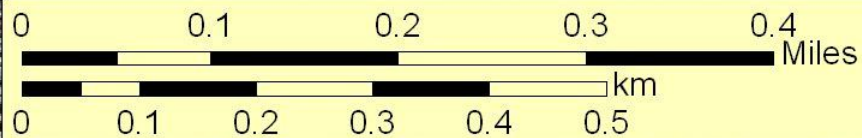
RDD Relocation (2nd Year)



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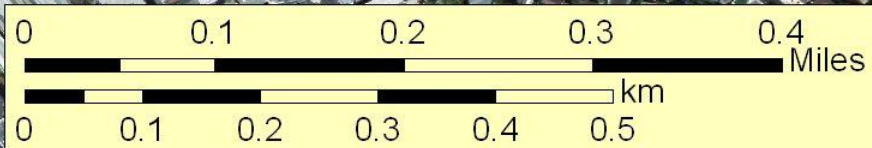
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Haight-Asbury Area

Risk exceeds: $1E-2$ for Cs-137 & Am-241





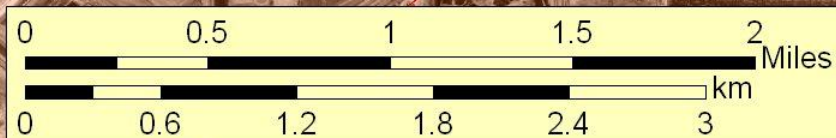
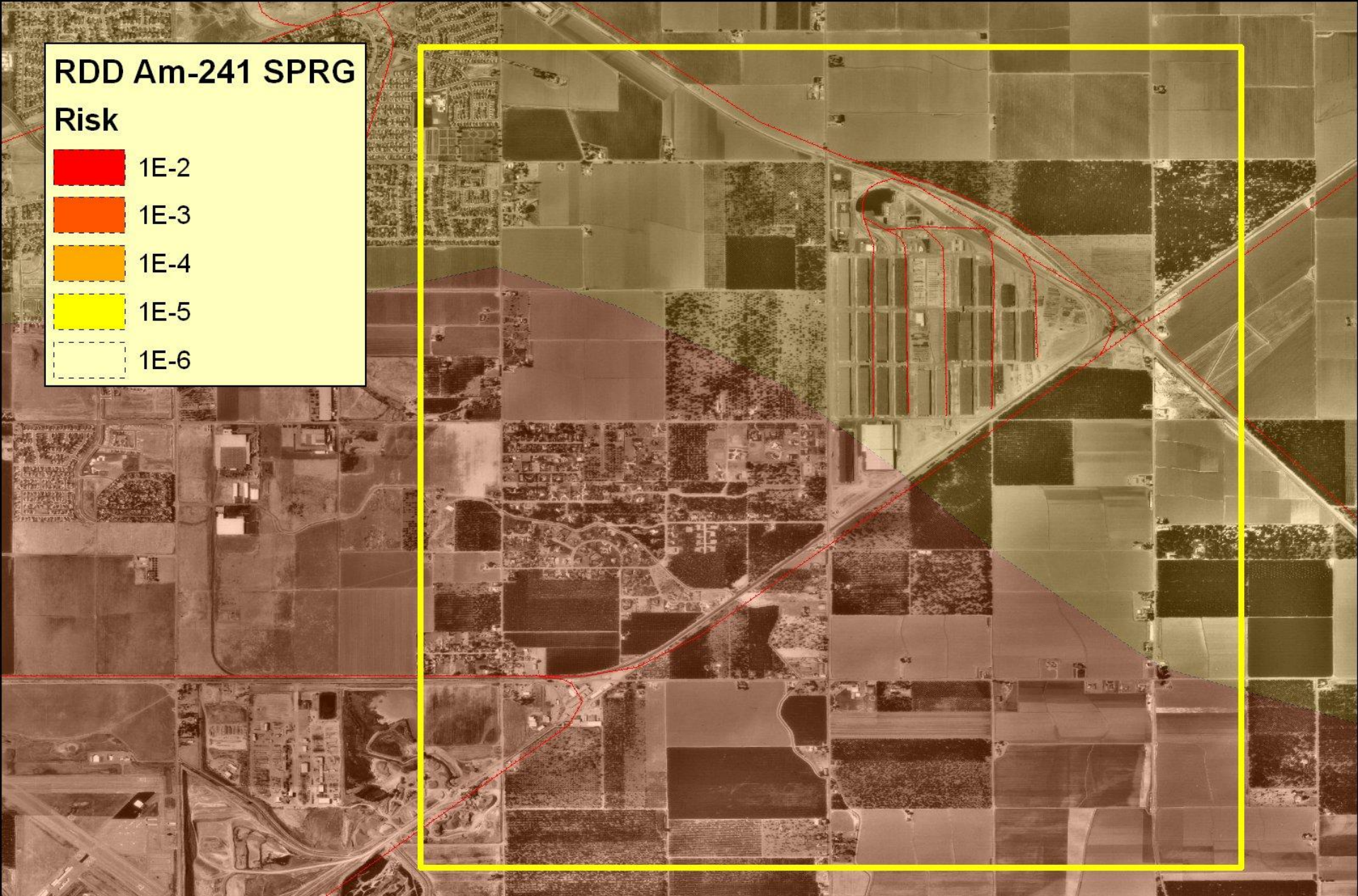
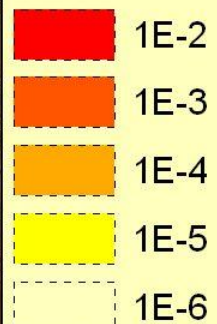
Dublin Area



Risk exceeds: $1\text{E-}4$ for Cs-137; $1\text{E-}3$ for Am-241

RDD Am-241 SPRG

Risk



Tracy Area

Risk exceeds: 1E-4 for Cs-137; 1E-3 for Am-241



RDD supporting material "RDD scenario risks Haight Ashbury ver 2.xls"

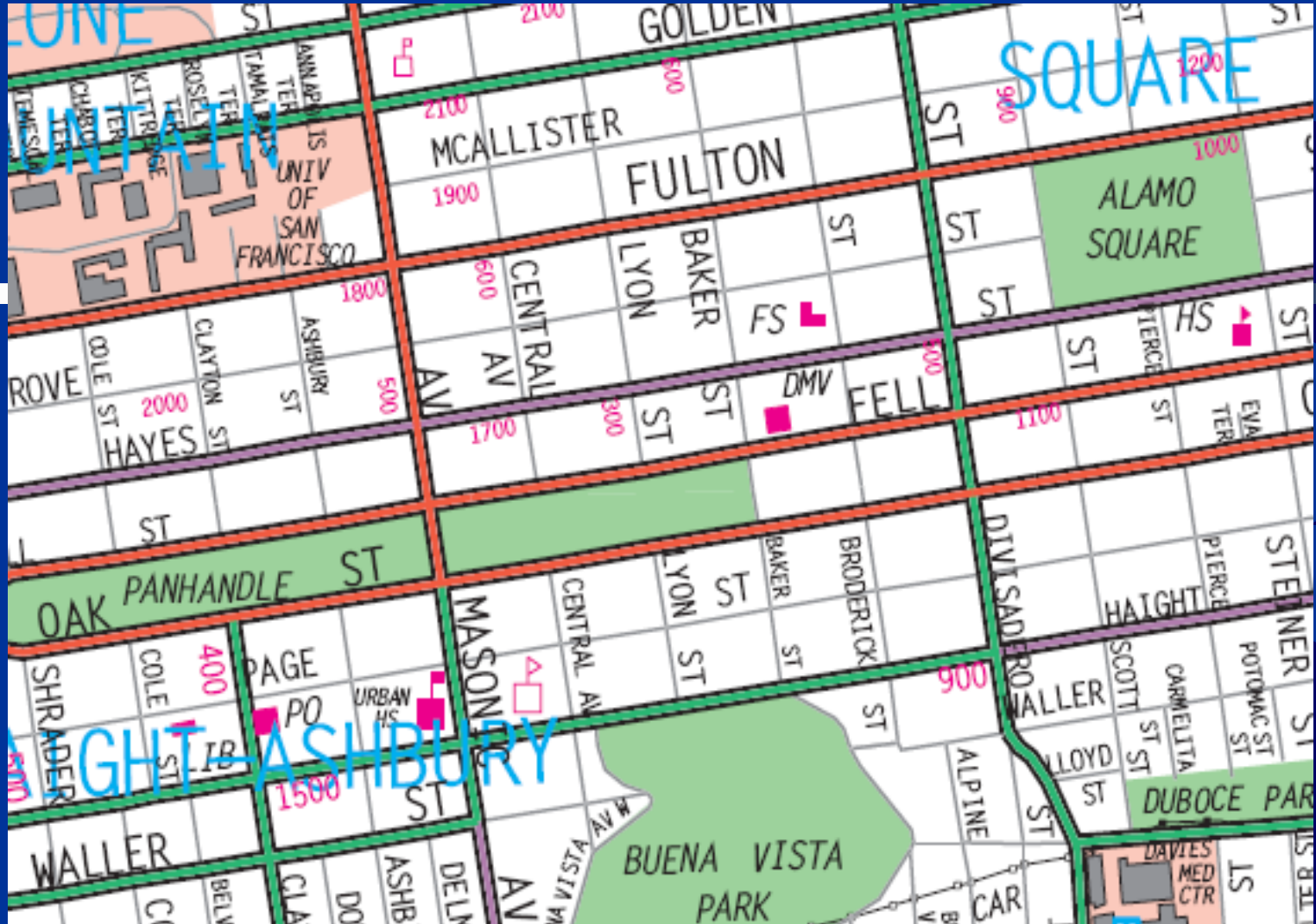
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Cesium-137+D	3.58E-02	4.79E-02	5.75E-02	6.81E-02	3.99E-02	6.83E-02

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Americium-241	5.62E-07	2.71E-07	6.10E-07	1.11E-06	5.37E-07	1.21E-06
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Cesium-137+D	2.58E-02	2.24E-02	3.58E-02	2.84E-01	5.23E-01	1.18E+00

	PRG Soil Concentration (pCi/g) if local park/playground ¹⁹	PRG Soil Concentration (pCi/g) if Resident Yard ²⁰	PRG Soil Concentration (pCi/g) if Outdoor Worker Yard ²¹	PRG Soil Concentration (pCi/g) if Indoor Worker Yard ²²
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Cesium-137+D	1.89E-02	9.68E-02	1.89E-02	9.68E-02	7.57E-02	3.62E-01	7.57E-02	3.62E-01



Haight-Ashbury



For Official Use Only:

1999 FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM			
URBAN		RURAL	
INTERSTATE		INTERSTATE	
OTHER FWY OR EXPWY		OTHER PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL	
OTHER PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL		MINOR ARTERIAL	
MINOR ARTERIAL		MAJOR COLLECTOR	
COLLECTOR		MINOR COLLECTOR	

1999

Urban (Haight Ashbury) "Calculated Results ver6.xls"

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Totals	Post Cleanup
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Exercise Outcome: Create TWG Recommendations to the DT

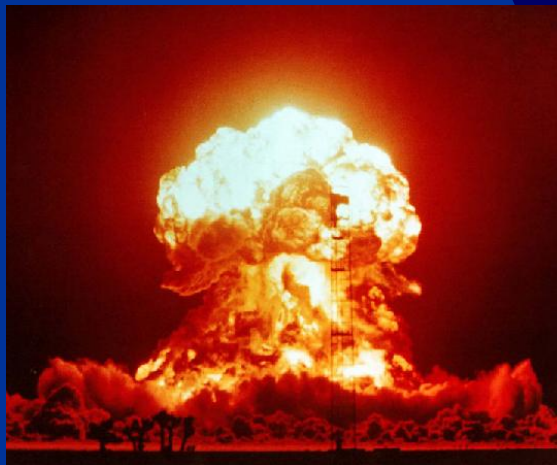
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	Recommended Actions	Rationale
Description of cleanup Area		
Final Land Use(s)		
Proposed Risk Level		
Cleanup Levels for Am-241		
Cleanup Levels for Cs-137		
Cleanup technologies		
Timeframe/phasing for Cleanup		
Proposed Land Use(s) During Cleanup (if different)		
Costs		

4.

Today's second scenario

IND Scenario



Improvised Nuclear Device (IND) Scenario

- ◆ Homemade or stolen nuclear device
- ◆ 10 Kt full yield
- ◆ Late-phase cleanup focuses on Cesium-137 and Strontium-90

Impact

- ◆ 229,900 fatalities
- ◆ 317,400 injuries
- ◆ Evacuation: 1.16 to 2.11 million persons
- ◆ Relocation:
 - » first year 1.22 million persons,
 - » second year 521,000 persons
- ◆ Infrastructure damage total with 0.5 to 3 miles
- ◆ Economic impact up to \$hundreds of billions

Extent of Contamination

- ◆ 1st yr relocation PAG: 175 miles/1,420 square miles
- ◆ 2nd yr relocation PAG: 54 miles/171 square miles

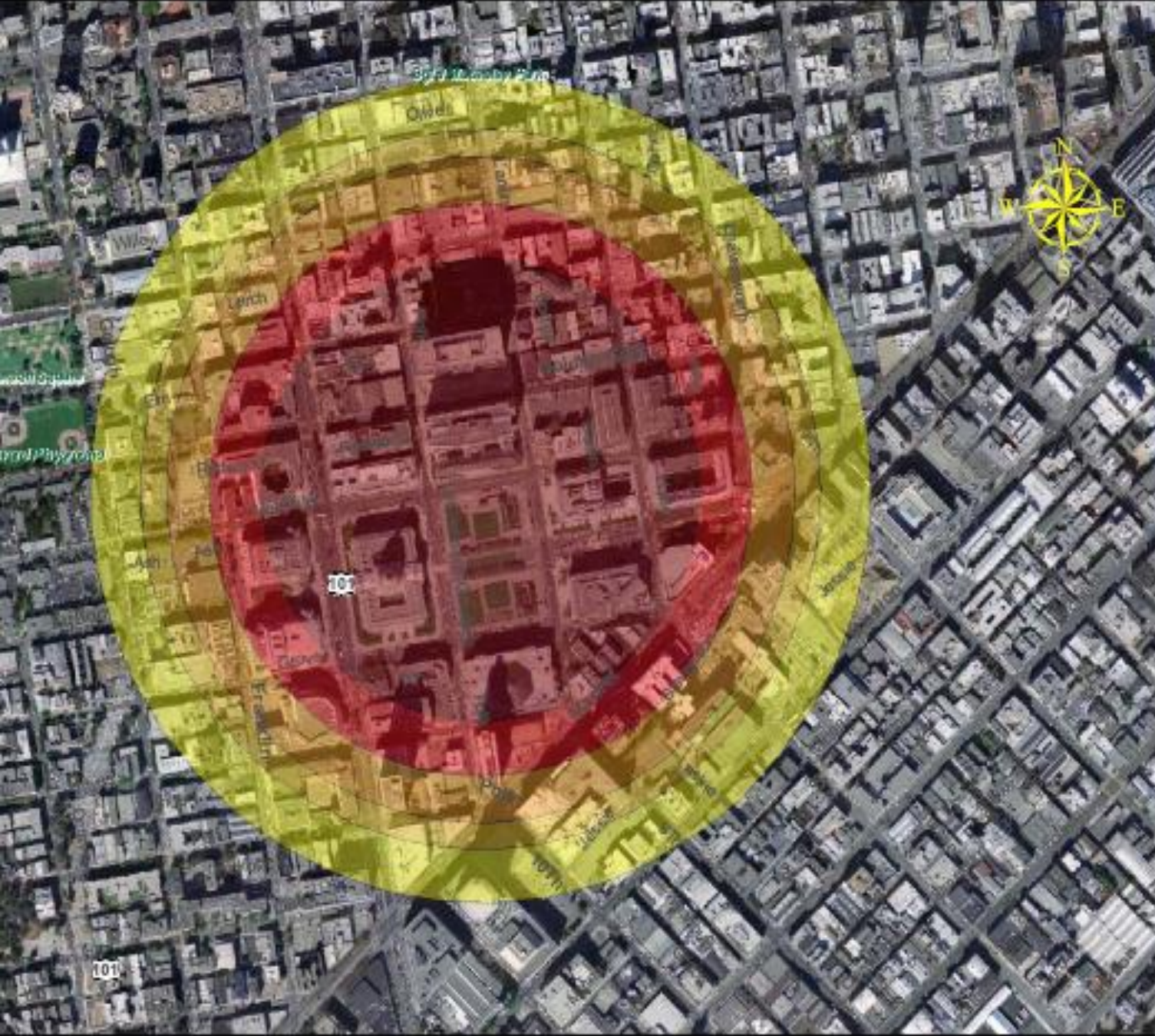
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1×10^{-6}	240	16,362	3.68



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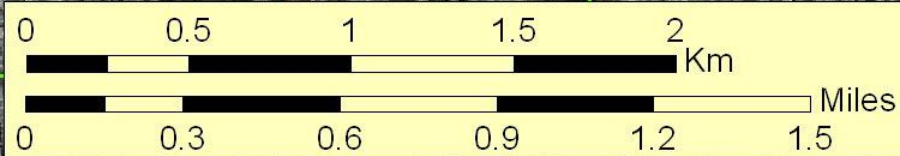
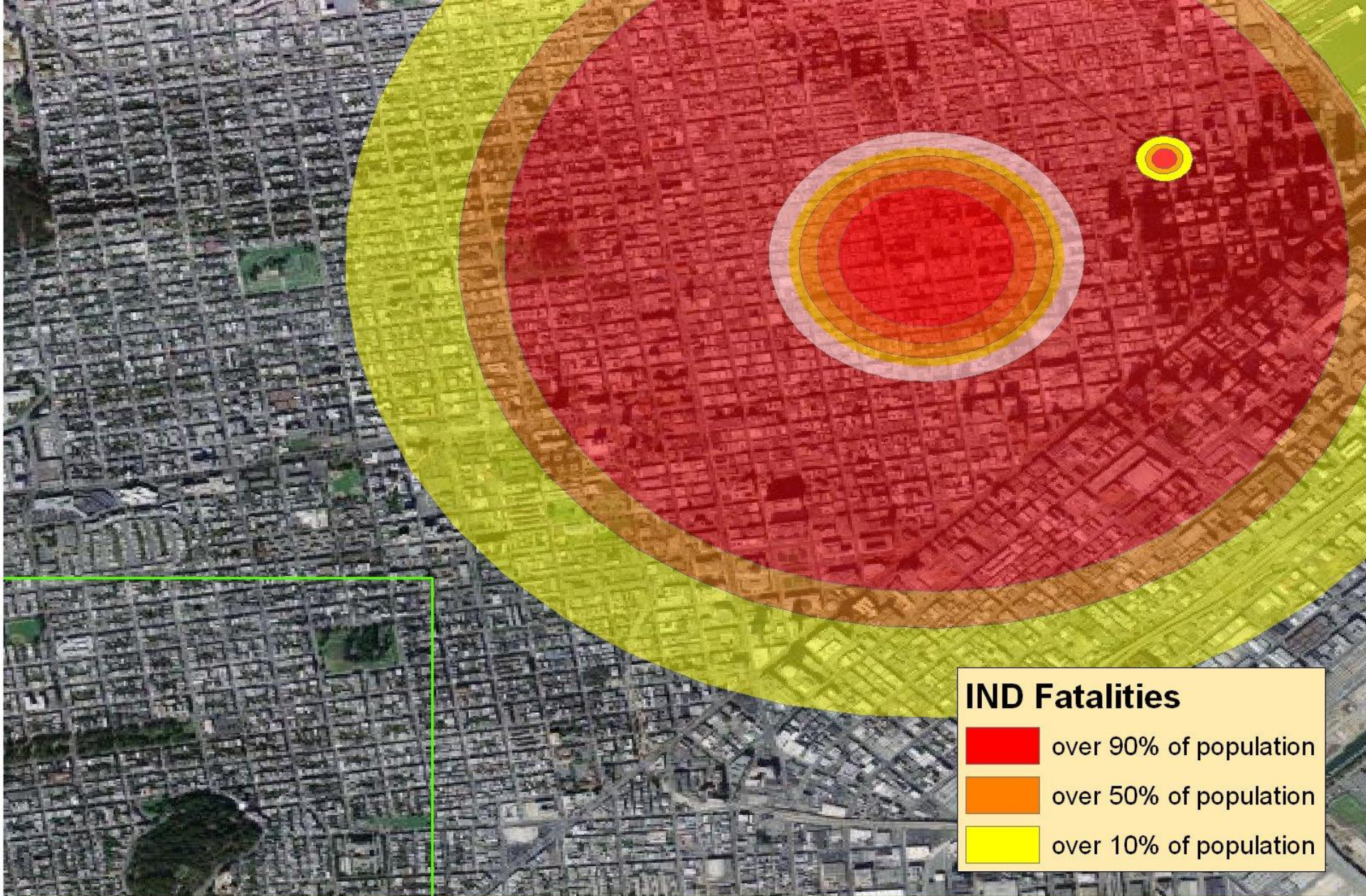


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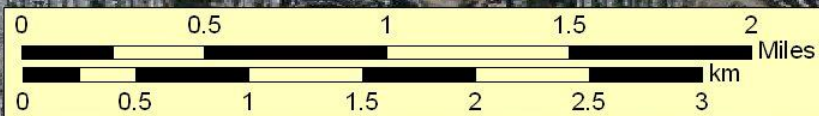
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- > 54.7 psf
Severe damage to over 90%
of Heavy Buildings.
- > 33.5 psf
Severe Damage to over 50%
of Heavy Buildings.
- > 24.2 psf
Moderate Damage to over 50%
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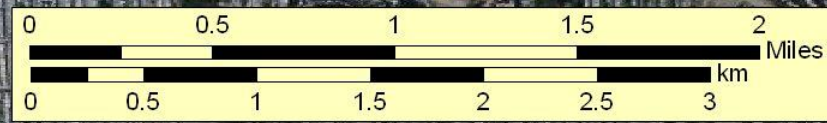
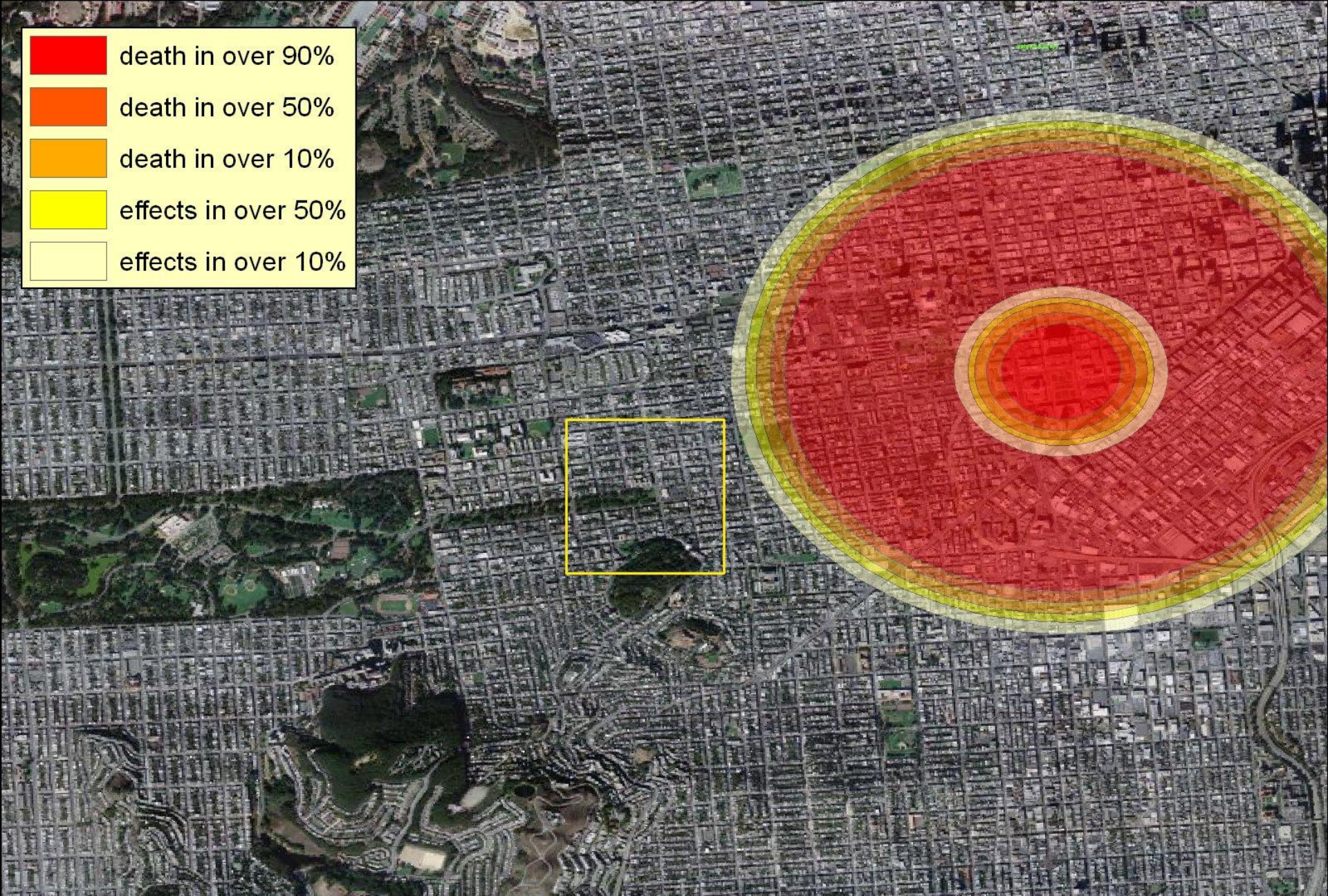
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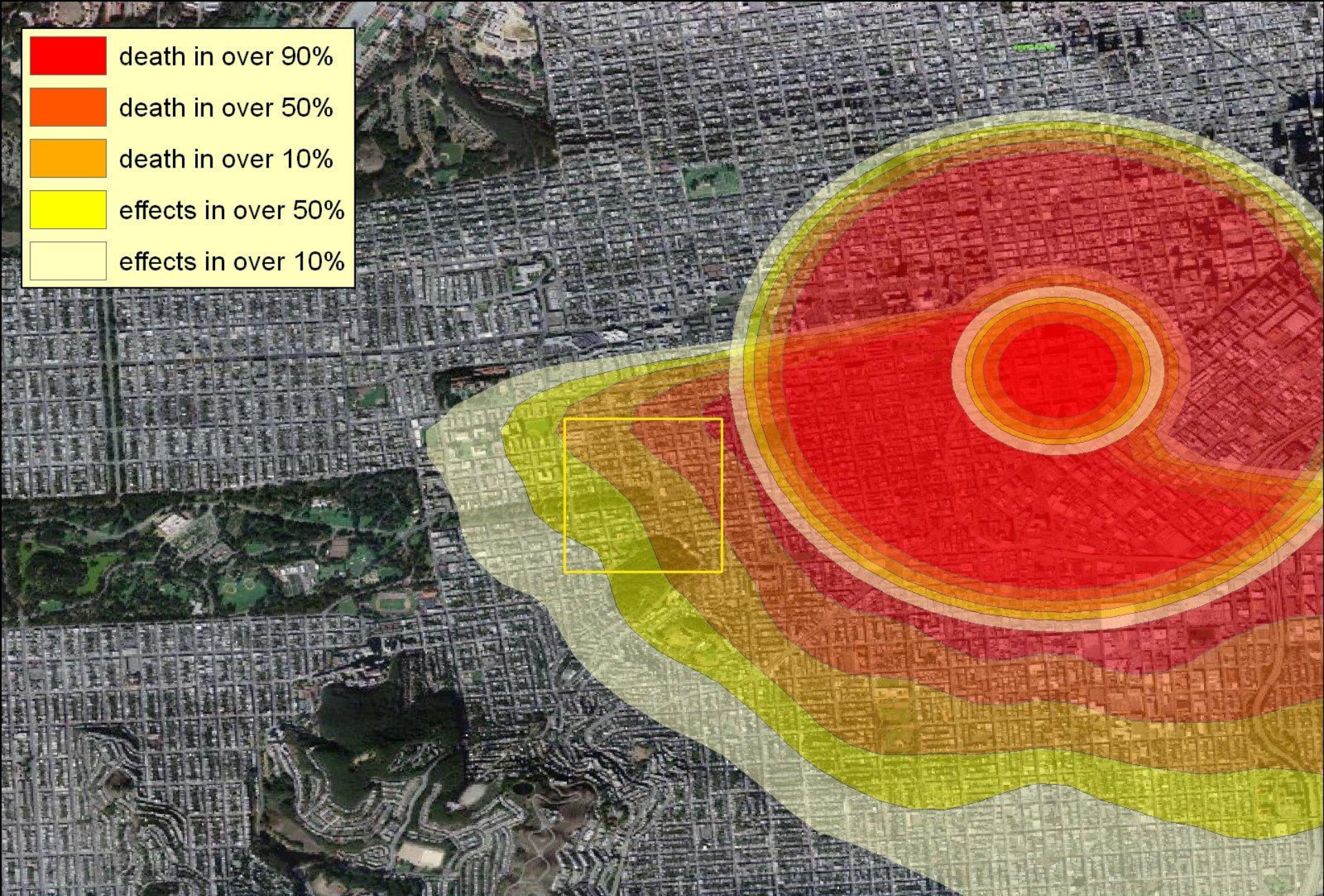
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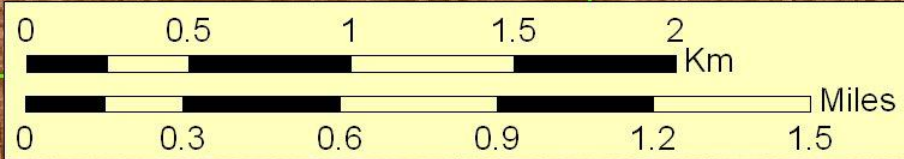
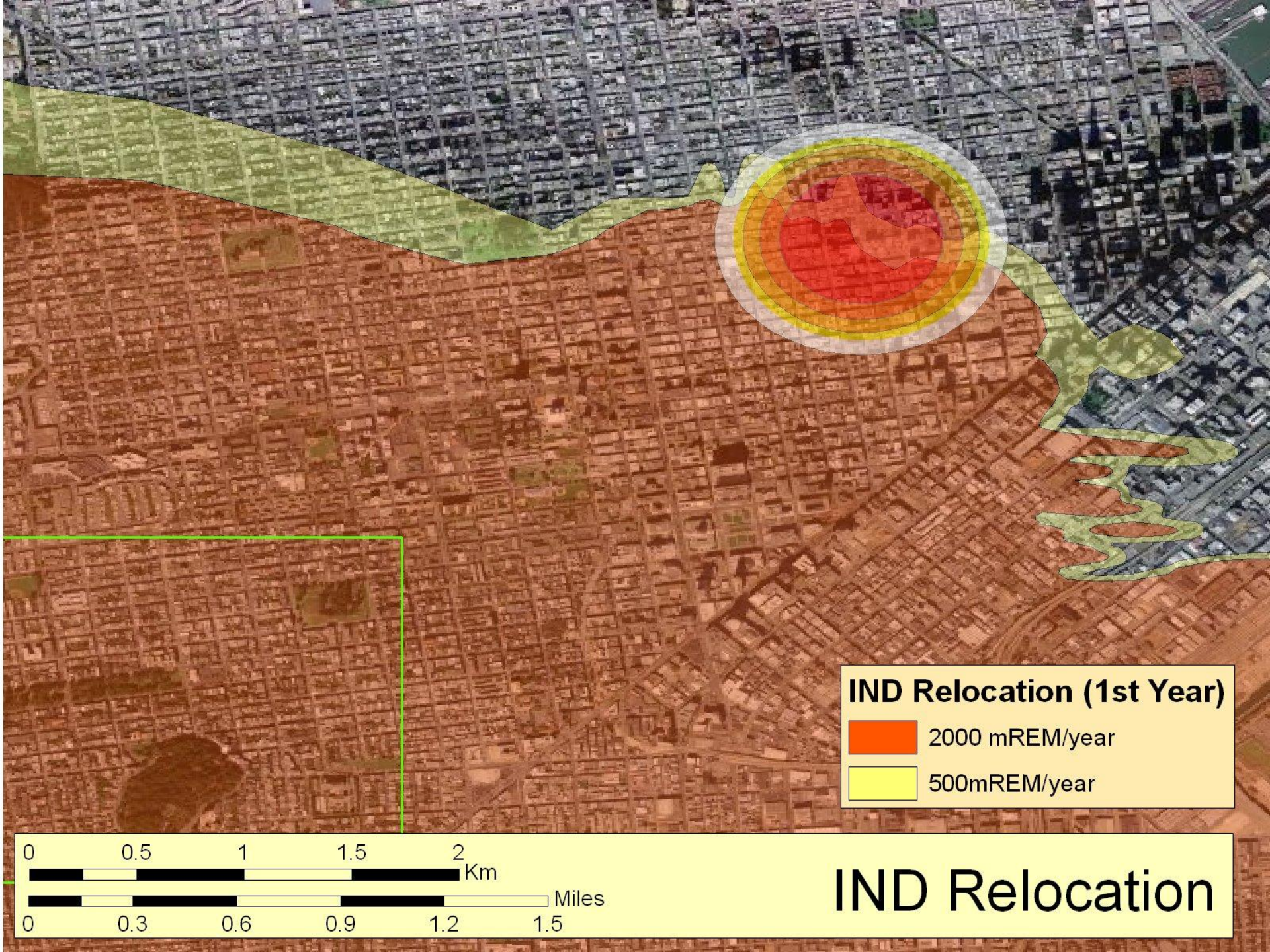
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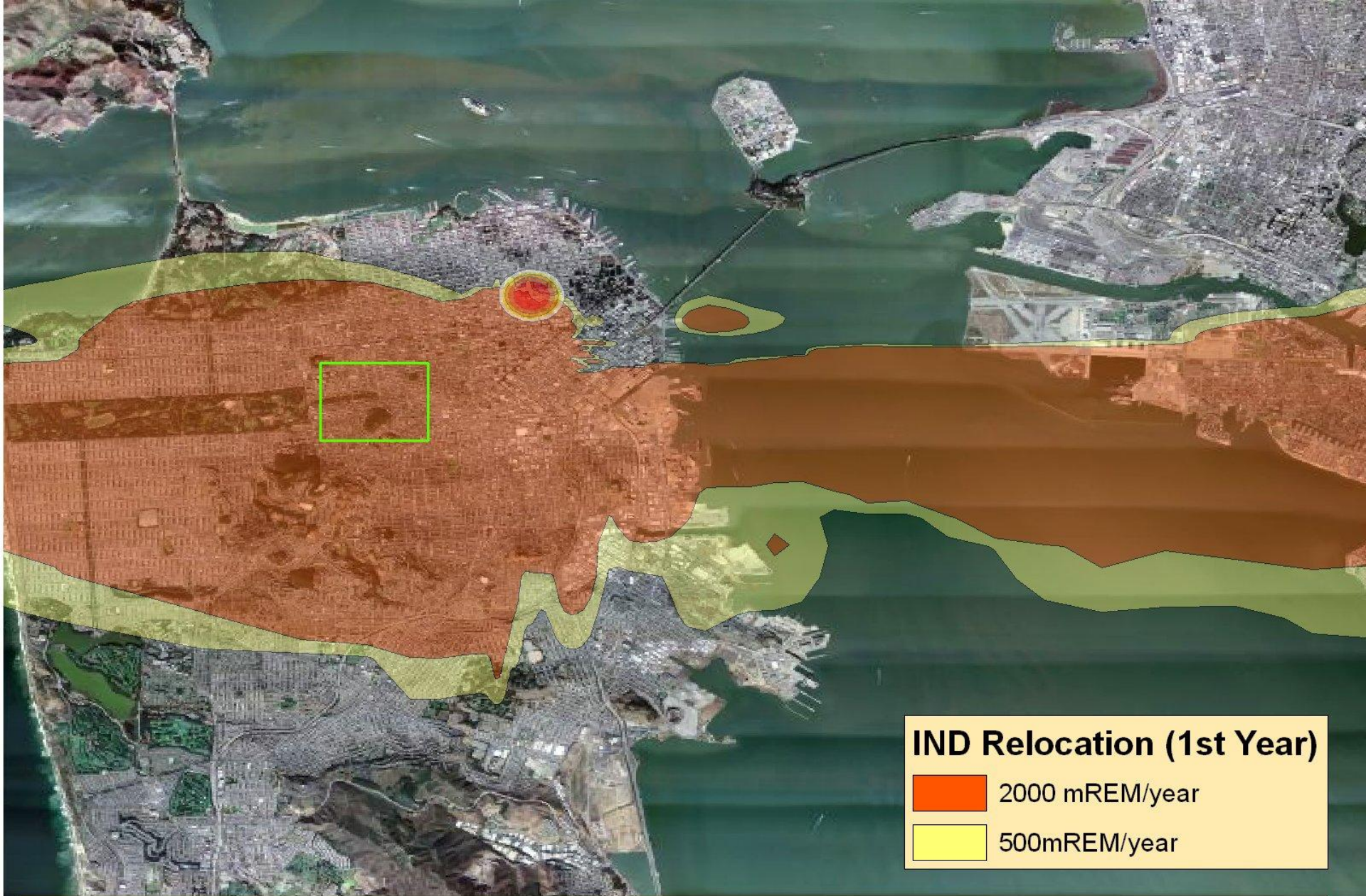
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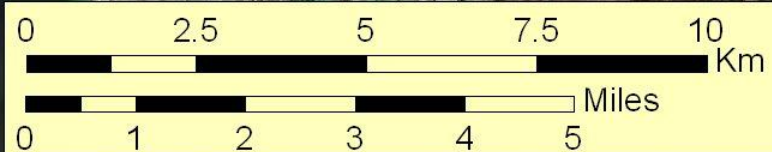
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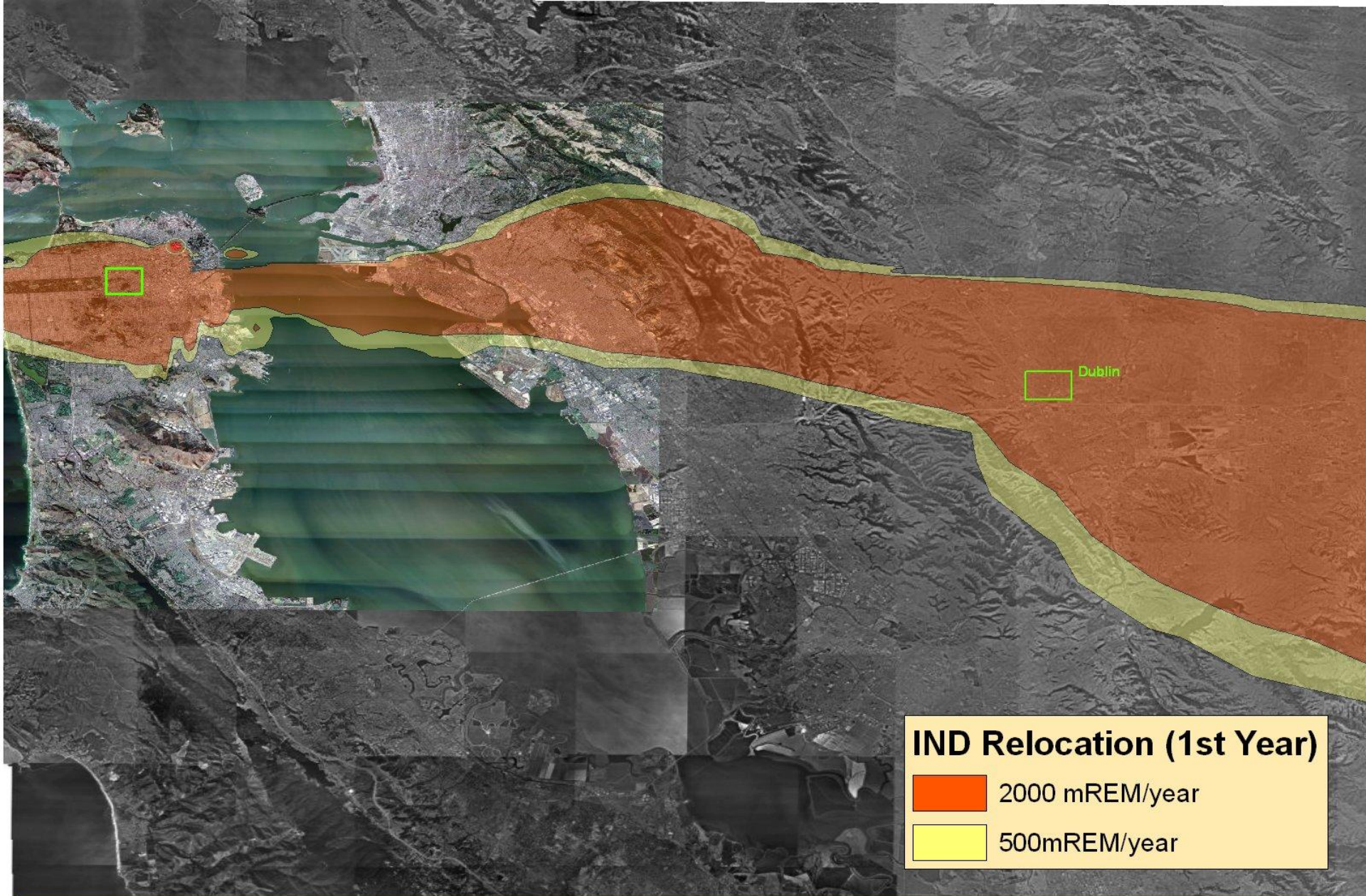
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IND Relocation (1st Year)

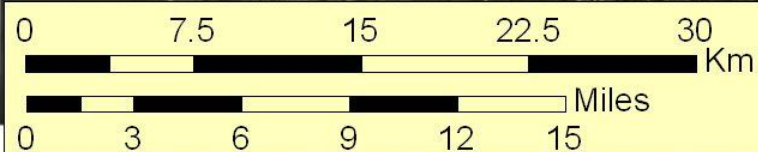


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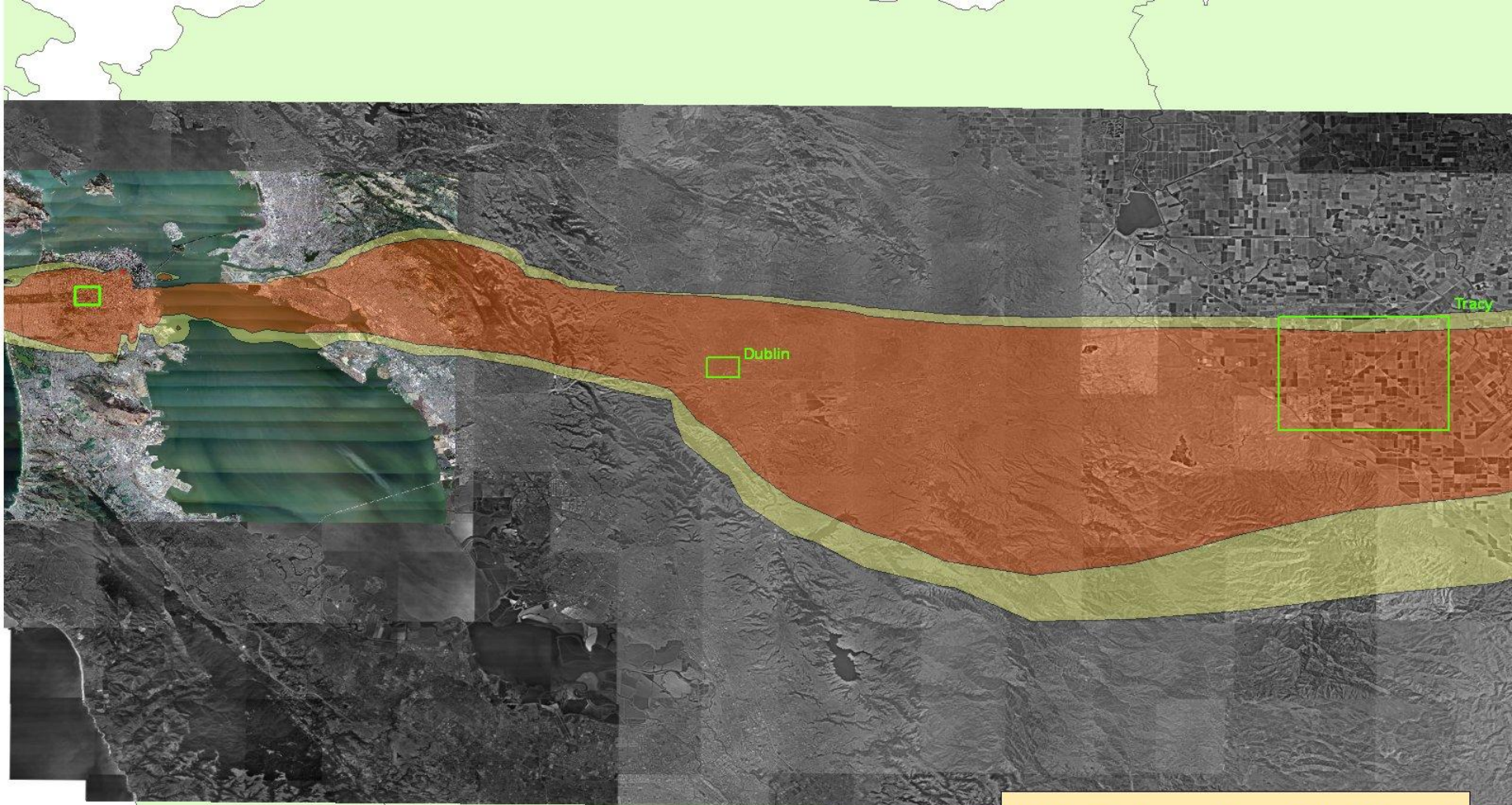


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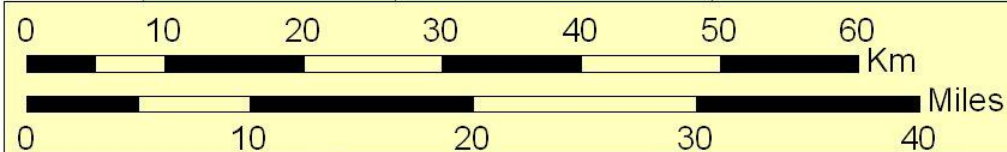
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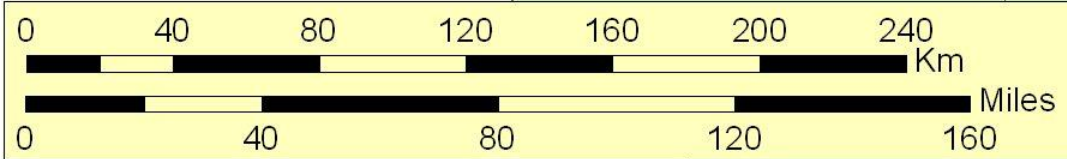
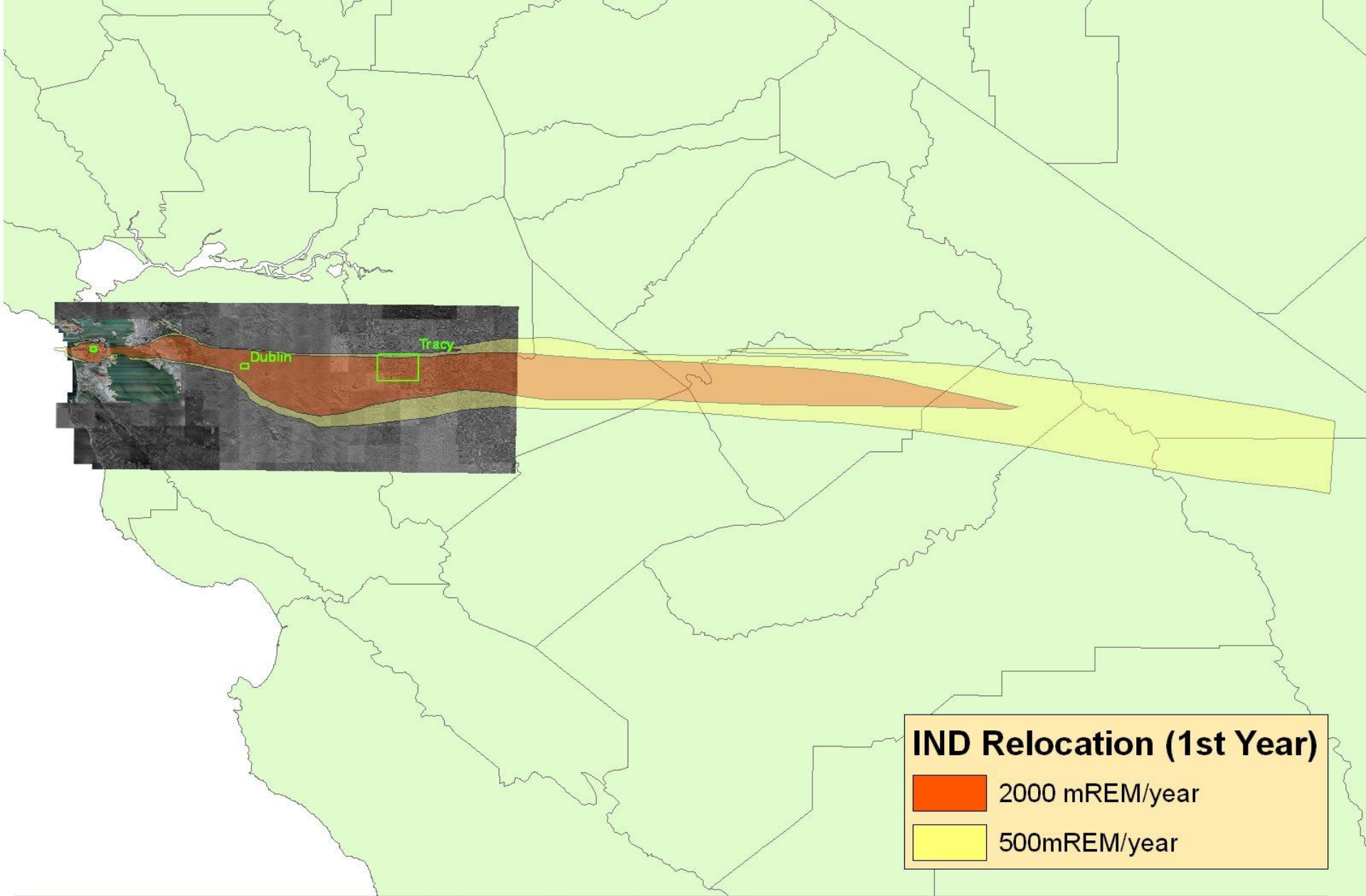
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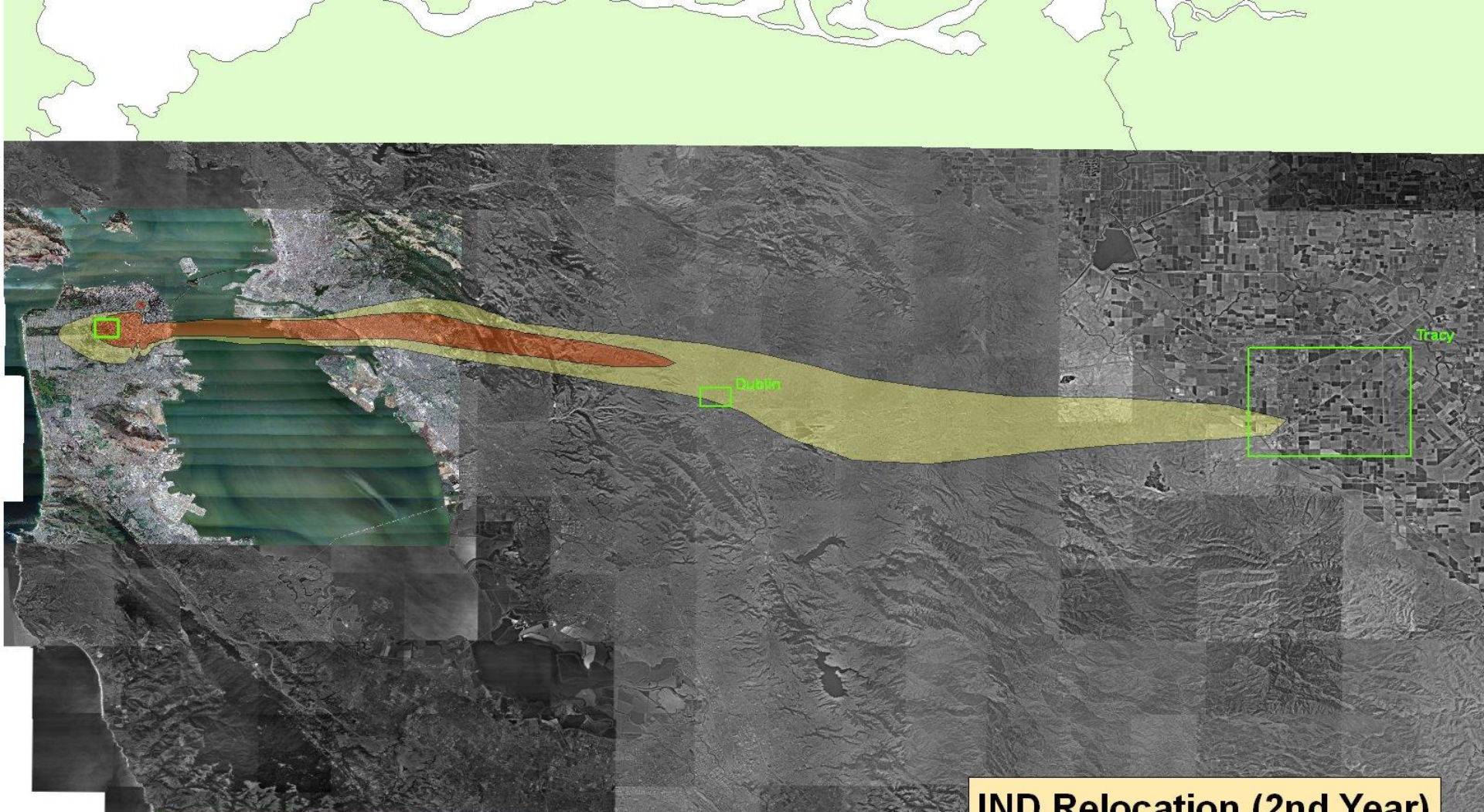
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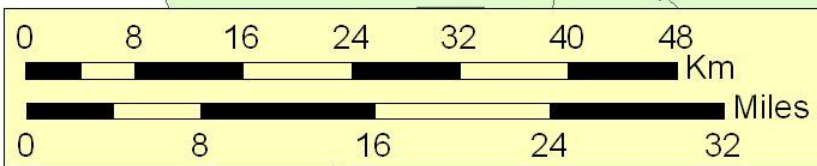
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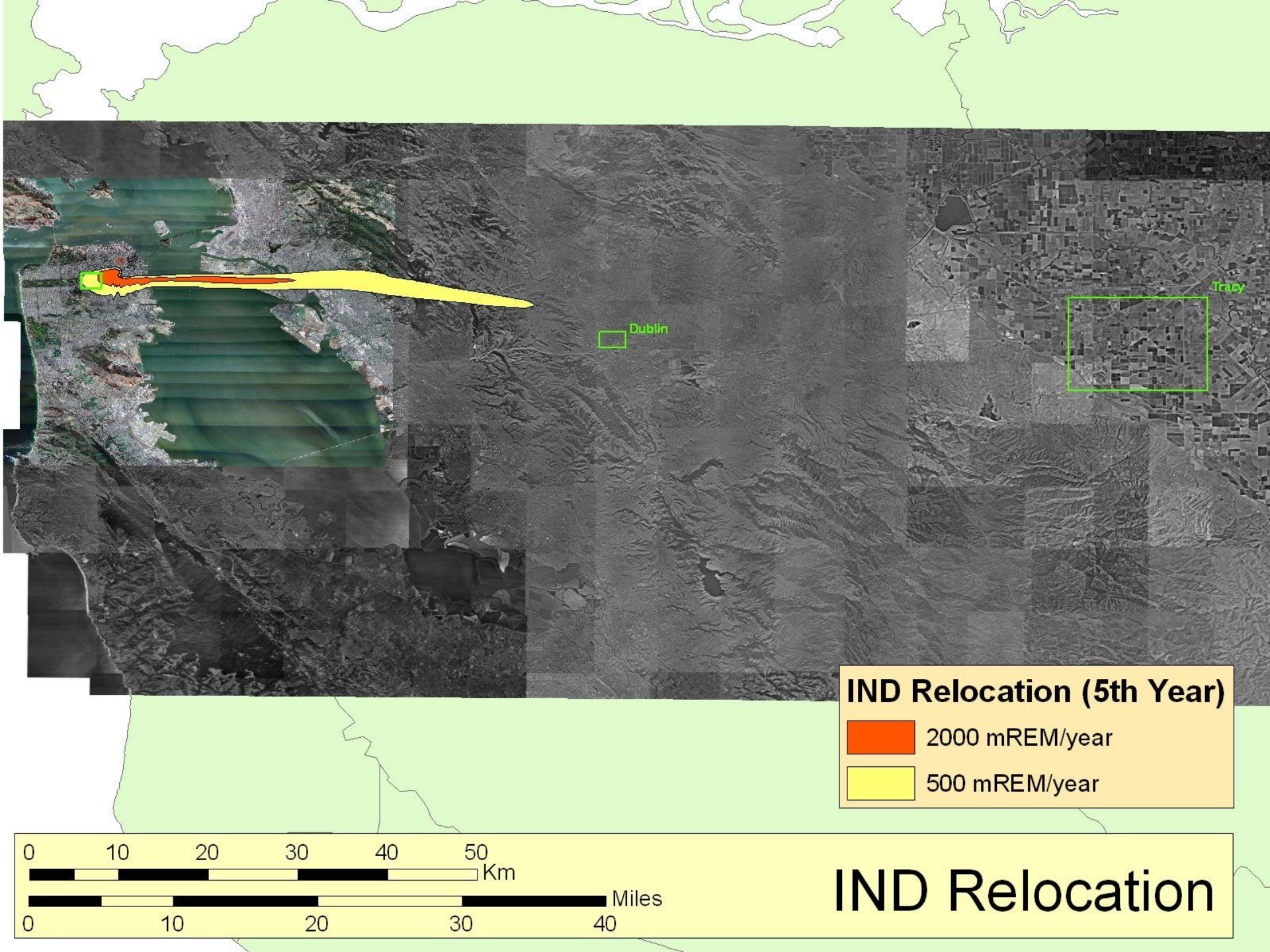
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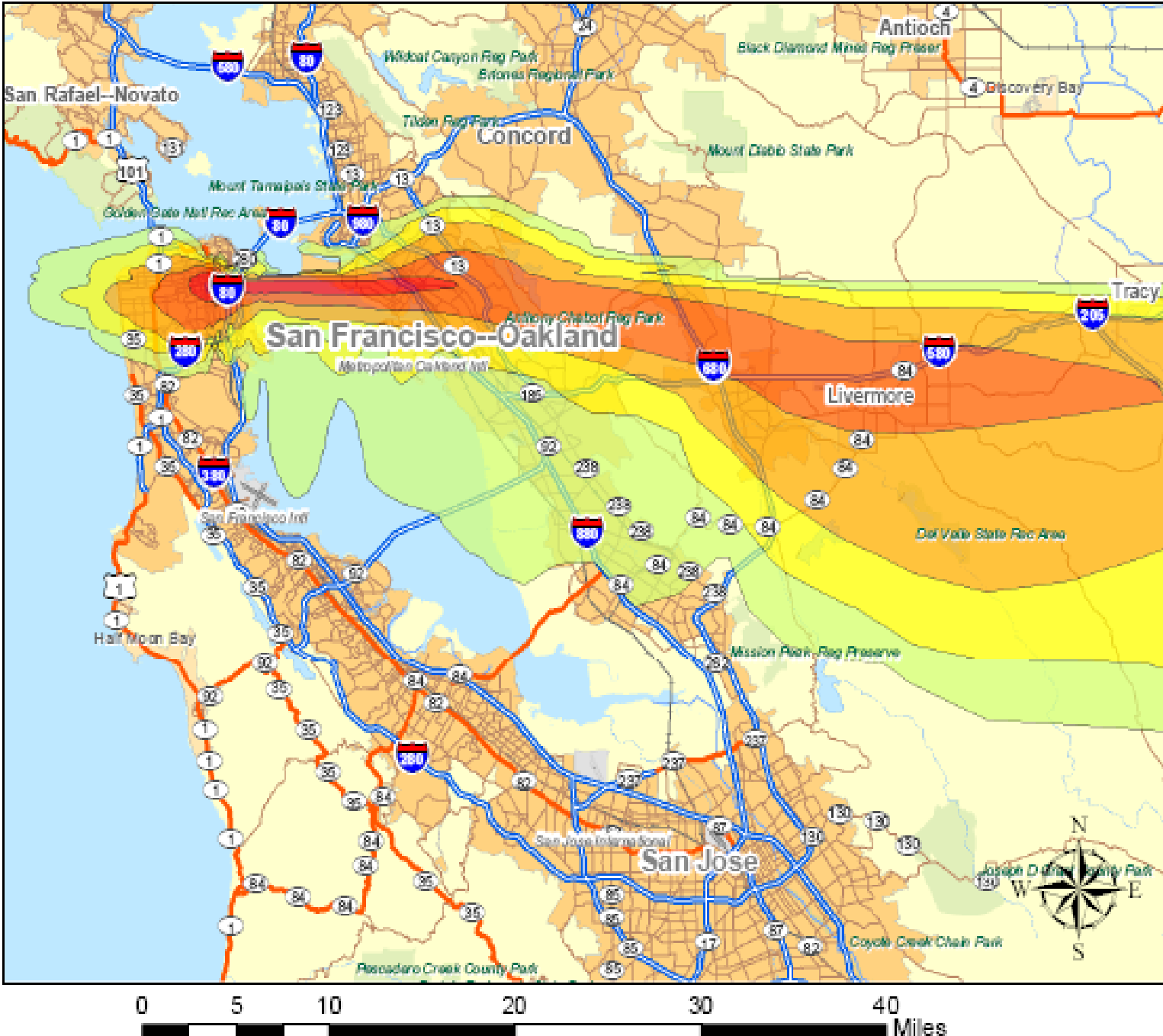


IND Relocation (2nd Year)



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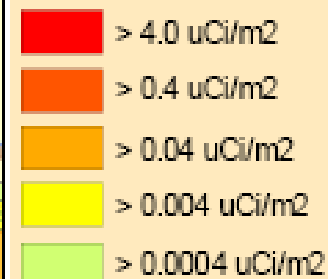


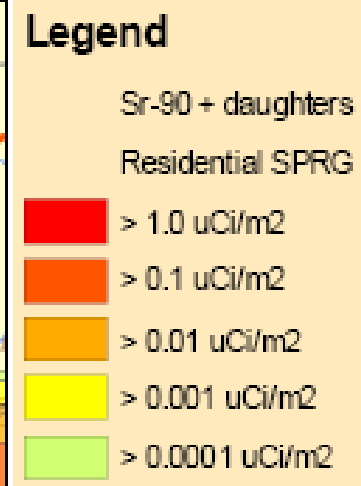


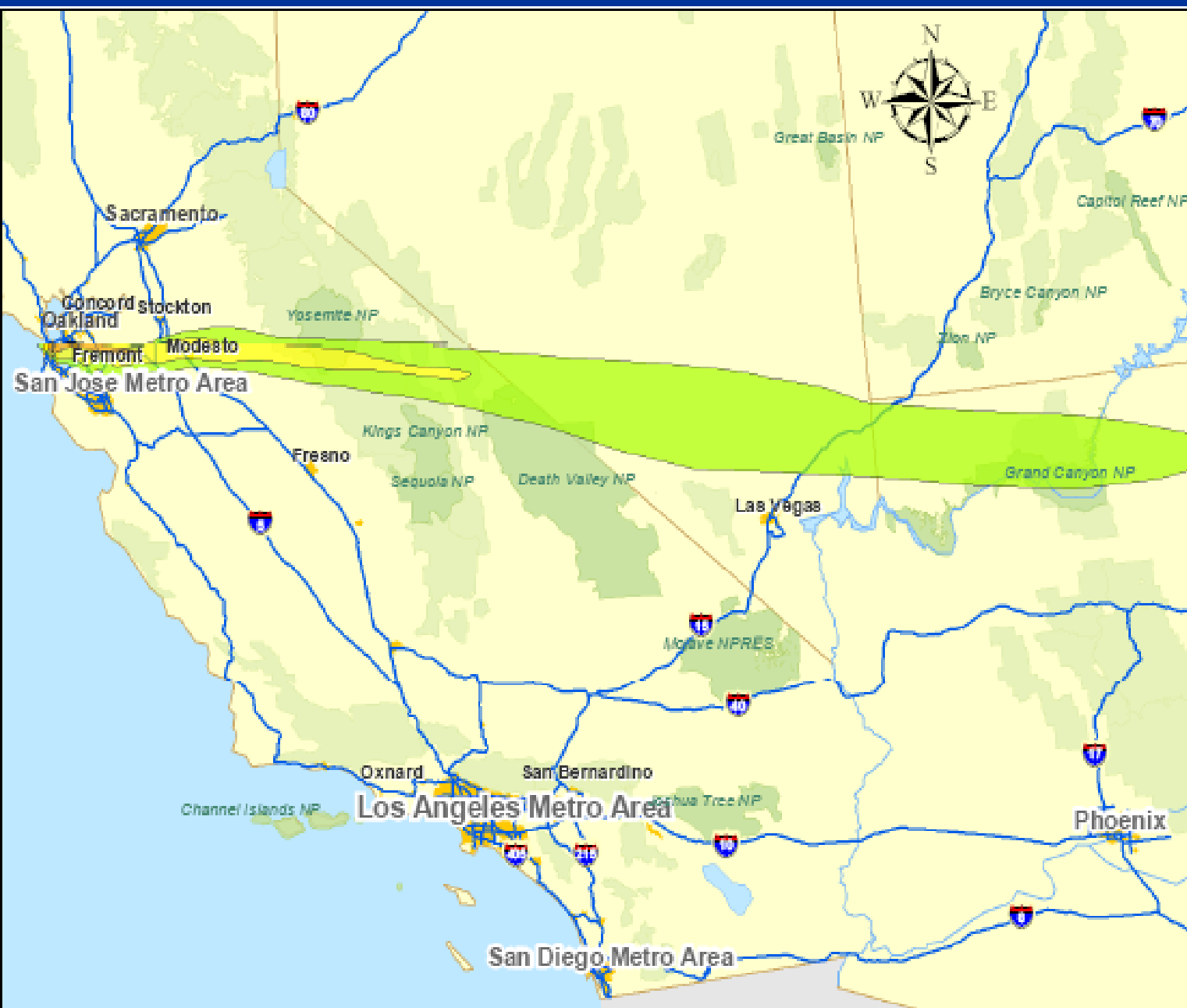
Legend

CS-137 + daughters

Residential SPRG







Legend

Cs-137 + daughters

Residential SPRG

- > 4.0 uCi/m²
- > 0.4 uCi/m²
- > 0.04 uCi/m²
- > 0.0040 uCi/m²

0 60 120 240 360 480 Miles

Compare Cleanup Approach Determined for RDD to the IND Scenario

- ◆ What recommendations would need to be changed or adjusted based on this level of contamination?
- ◆ How would the decision process and rationale be different from RDD to IND?

TTX Participants Region 9 primarily

- ◆ 5 RPMs
- ◆ 7 OSCs and removal managers
- ◆ 6 Radiation support
- ◆ 4 Homeland security support
- ◆ 4 CICs

TTX Issues

- ◆ TTX good idea, made participants think about long-term recovery and response issues
 - » Improve TTX, but keep doing them with other Regions
- ◆ Focus more on RDD, less on IND
- ◆ Be more specific about EPA and other agencies roles
 - » Better reconcile PAGs, emergency response and long-term cleanup

TTX Issues, continued

- ◆ More linkage to early and intermediate response actions
 - » What cleanup actions are completed
 - » What decisions have been made or processes established (e.g., disposal location, decon procedures)
- ◆ Include non-Superfund divisions (e.g., air, water)
- ◆ Tie the 3 discrete areas (urban, suburban, rural) together with common elements (e.g., monitoring)
- ◆ Be more specific about expected outcomes
 - » What do you want us to accomplish?